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AMENDMENT

**GROUP 3600**

Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed on July 11, 2002, please amend this application as follows:

**In the claims:**

Please cancel claims 11 and 12.

Please add new claims 13-15 as follows:

13. (New) The visual decision tree device of claim 10 comprising at least one card on which the decisions or visual decision trees and values for a wound factor are printed; and a sleeve in which the card slides having at least two openings, the first opening alignable separately with separate wound factor values, and the second opening alignable with the distinct decisions on visual decision trees depending on the alignment with the first openings.